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Honorable Lois Wolk
California State Senate
California State Capitol
Sacramento, CA 95814

SB 234 (Wolk) – As introduced February 13, 2015 – SUPPORT

Dear Senator Wolk:

The County of San Bernardino is pleased to support SB 234, legislation that will appropriate \$19 million to the Department of Fish and Wildlife to make past due Payments in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) payments to counties.

California PILT was established in 1949 to offset adverse impacts to county property tax revenues that result when the State acquires private property for wildlife management areas. The Department of Fish and Wildlife has not made payments in more than a decade and owes PILT payments to 36 counties. PILT payments are a matter of law and fairness to counties that are home to state-owned wildlife management areas.

For these reasons, the County of San Bernardino is pleased to support SB 234. If you have any questions, please contact Josh Candelaria, Director of Governmental and Legislative Affairs at (909) 387-4821 or jcandelaria@sbcounty.gov.

Sincerely,

JAMES RAMOS
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County of San Bernardino

ROBERT LOVINGOOD
Board of Supervisors
First District Supervisor
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c: Members and Consultants Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee
San Bernardino County Legislative Delegation

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